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HOW DOESTICKS "SWORE OFF."

I thought it was a good swear, a strong swear, a particularly strong awear, but somehow a baby broke it, and it was a very young baby at that—a new edition; in fact, the newest baby at that—a new edition; in tact, the newest edition; in truth, the only edition, in one volume complete, of Muggins. "Duplication of self," that is to say, it was Muggins's first and only baby. Muggins (of course, I mean Mrs. Muggins) had the consideration not to have twins—to present the world with Muggins in single doses.

Walking down town the morning after I had sworn off, all elated with the consciousness of having performed a good action, I looked everyhaving performed a good action, I looked every-where with a pitying eye on such of my ac-quaintances as were still under the thraldom of daily bitters—yet in the toils of the morning cocktail, and had not yet freed themselves from the fatal hold of the "leven o'clocker," the "stomach-quickener," the "eye-opener," or whatever other one they choose to use, of the thousand verbal mystifications applied to the morning dram. morning dram.

I was free-never again should I indulge in Twas tree—never again should I induge in the fluid joy of a julep or a punch; the grateful cobler should never again—but here I met Muggins; it was Muggins, and yet it wasn't Muggins—Muggins, in form, in feature, in figure, and in dress, but no more like the usually grave Muggins in demeanor, than a frisky kitten is like weeden decordance. like a wooden decoy duck. He was elate, gay, merry, exulting, jubilant, exhilerated; he caught me by the arm and shook it, as if he had a large bet on shaking off twenty hands in thirty min-utes, and was just a trifle behind time on his "She's done it, Old Doesticks; Pre-done it

It's done it! What's done what, and who or what is it?"

queried I.

"Me, I, Mary, all of us, Old Doe—last night, nine o'clock, my baby flad a wife; my first, no his first, no, her, and my, and our first; wife a good deal better; baby a good deal expected; no, both are better and both are expected; that is, all my wives and all my babies are a good deal better than could be expected; nurse says so. My first, you know; wife never had a nurse; no my nurse never had a wife; of course, you know what I mean; my waby never had a bife; my nife and the burse, my naby

and the wurse.

But you see I've mixed; I really can't say how, whether my nurse has had a boy, or my wife has had a baby nurse, or the waby has had a nife, or the w—. Well, this is the calm truth wife has had a baby-nurse, or the waby has had a nife, or the w.—. Well, this is the calm truth—there are in my house a wife, a baby, and a nurse, and I belong to the same establishment myself. With their combined help I have gone and borned a baby; all alive. Come in to Delmonico's and drink a bottle of Mumm's best baby in honor—or of Heidsick's green boy, because, you know in honor of my seal baby-

Here I stopped him, just as two policemen were discussing whether he was peaceable enough to be arrested, or whether he was so dangerous that they ought to let him alone. got him into the house, and into a corner; be-fore I could stop him, he had yelled to the bar-keeper for two bottles of green baby; an order which the barkeeper—who had seen Muggies once before on that day—understood perfectly, and immediately produced two bottles of green-seal champaign, at three dollars and a half a

I seized Muggins by the collar; I sat Muggins down in the chair; I jammed Muggins down hard, and I held him there; I put on my

down hard, and I held him there; I put on my severest look, and did my dignifiedest.

"Muggins," said I, calmly, (and I made my voice come from my first vest button)—" Muggins, be calm; Muggins "—here my voice sank to the pit of my stomach—" Muggins, dou't be a fool; Muggins, I can't drink any of that wine, hecause, Muggins,"—here my voice solemnly descended to the very soles of my boots—"
The sworm off Mugains."

I've sworn off, Muggins."

He looked at me helplessly, and at last stam-

mered out, faintly:
"But baby, first baby, real boy, no sham, genon him, legs all complete : you must-drink-

baby."

I thought he was going to faint, and I gave him a glass of wine. Exhausted as he was, he had sense enough to refuse to drink, unless

What could I do? The man must be saved—his life must be spared to his wife and baby—I said to the bystanders; I drank; Mug wassaved; and we put him into a carriage, and sent him home.

Then the fellows who had heard me say that I had sworn off came around, and asked me to drink. I solemnly refused, I told them I had

sucorn off.
But Jones took me aside, and told me a curious but interesting fact; that fact was-

Jones, as well as Muggins, was a happy father-so was Mrs. Jones-and as well as could be expected. We drank to Jones's baby. Gin

cocktail to Jones's baby ! Was going home; but Stiggins now said that he had a word to say to me in private. That

BABY !!"

By a curious coincidence, Mrs. Stiggins, etc. Though I had sworn off, I could do no more than drink to Mrs. Stiggins's speedy recovery. Then I started for the door. Somebody said:

"Take a drink?"

"Gentlemen," said I, "I've sworn off!"
Robinson, pale and excited, asked for a mo ment's silence, while be announced some happy intelligence. Need I say that the intelligence

" BABY ! !!" Mrs. Robinson, etc., had been and so-forthed last night, and Robinson was a happy father Could I refuse to drink to Robinson's baby

Anyhow, I didn't. We drank to R.'s B. in beer; then we wined R.'s B.; then we gin-cocktailed said baby, then brandy-slinged—I mean brandy

baby, then brandy-singed—I mean brandy-slung—the baby; then, on my suggestion at I must go, for I was going to swear off, we took a parting hot rum and water, all to R.'s B., and Jones's B., and all the others' B.'s; then I swore off.

Then Luffky came in, hurriedly, to say: "BABY !!!"

We cocktailed Luff ky's baby, and beered it, and—at my cost—had a couple of bottles of wine to L.'s B.

Then I swore off.



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Before I got to the doors-of which there were by the time several—Grimby came in, and proclaimed aloud, in triumph—Baby, you say, of course. Baby! that's only half—"TWINS!!!!"

We drank the twins, brandy, beer, wine, and sherry; then—at my suggestion and expense— we had a bottle or two of green-seal to the

Then I swore off.

No, I couldn't have sworn off here either; No, I couldn't have sworn on here citner; for I remember cocktailing a boy, and sangarecing s girl, and champagning a lot of mothers' happy recoveries after that.

Oh, I know; it was here that Maktarvale leaped upon the table, and howled

"TRIPLETS!!!!"

We have remarked those triplets and mint.

We brandy-punched those triplets, and mint-juleped the mother to that extent that I really imagined myself in the fashion, and positively announced that Mrs. D. had made me the happy father of two pairs of twins, consisting of nine girls and a boy. Other fellows came in; never was seen such a lot of fellows, and never had

wives done so much for the census is so short s Every fellow announced that his wife had three heira—four, six, or more; but when Spriggins gravely told us that his wife was the mother of seventy-one children, and they'd only been married two years, I remember some of us doubted it, until Spriggins assured us on his honor that it was true.

Then I stopped at the Carlton House, and swore off sgain; then at the St. Nicholas, and took a julep—then I swore off; met somebody; took something—swore off; then I swore off; then I met somebody; then I took something; then I met something; then I took something; then swore off; then swore something; then took something; Metropolitan, swore off; Thorpe's, swore off; Pierce's swore off; Fifth Avenue Hotel, swore off; and somebody took Avenue Hotel, swore off; and somebody took me home in a carraige, where I scandalized the old maid landlady, who came to the door, by asking her: "How are your twins to-night, Mrs. Jallow?" And when she replied, indignantly, "What do you mean, Mr. Doesticks?" I tried to appease her by saying: "Skuse me, Miss Jallow, I didn't know you'd sworn off!"

Next day, I learned that the whole thing was a conspiracy, and that no babies had been born in my circle of friends, save one, a very, very small one, the sole property of Mr. and Mrs.

Thieves broke into Joseph Shillinger's room at St. Louis, on Friday night, and stole \$750 in money, and \$50 worth of jewelry. The police caught an incendiary in the act of firing a house at Louisville, Kentucky, on Thursday night. The villain escaped, although pur-

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Moloch Muggins! Now, I have sworn off.

A man named Hennison, at Danbury, Connecticut, stole some goods from a store "to get a quiet and easy berth in the county jail." On investigation, it was found to be the third offence, and he was sent to the State prison, which rather "took him aback." The Rev. J. McClintock, of the American

Chapel, Paris, recently fell and so injured his kneepan that he is obliged to preach to his congregation sitting. A daudy in Paris, holding in his hand a splendid cane, was recently accosted by a beg gar on crutches, who received a silver coin. At the same moment a person near by exclaimed "How can you, sir, allow this rogue to deceive you? Please to lend me your cane, and I will show you that the rascal can run better than I can." The dandy, without reflecting, lent his cane. The beggar, the moment he saw it in his detector's hands, threw away his crutches, and took to his heels, and was followed by the man with the cane, while the spectators, and the dandy particularly, remained in convulsions of laughter at the sight, and exclaiming, alter-

nately, "Oh, he will be caught!" The dandy by taking the crutches. The latest composition of Rossini for the iano is entitled "A Railway Journey." It commences with an allegro vivace noise of the train under way, and the jar of the machinery. But towards the end of the piece, a sudden terror succeeds to the light variety, and a funeral march announces an impending Rossini, however, ends here, and

does not attempt to imitate a railroad acci A young girl was rescued from a life of in famy, recently, and sent to the St. Louis House of the Good Shepherd. There she remained till two weeks ago, when she escaped in a fit of indignation about some small matter. Two de-tectives were employed to find her, but, instead of taking her to the home, the scoundrels placed her in another den, compelled her, under threats, to live with both, until she was met with on Sunday, and again placed in the institution which she earnestly desired to re-enter.

Rann Haskins escaped recently from Auburn State prison; a few nights ago, two detectives, who knew him, went to a ball in a neighboring town, where it was said Haskins was to be; the convict did not appear, and the detectives gave themselves up to pleasure. In a corner sat a pretty, modest-looking young lady, who attracted the detectives' attention, one of whom got introduced, danced several times with her, and handed her down to supper. The lady left carly, and the monopolizing detective handed her to the sleigh. Next morning it turned out that the young lady was Rann Haskins.

Peppermint, as an article of commerce, is largely grown in Lake county, Ohio. This year, over \$4,000 has been paid to the producers of this article, and in Painesville the oil is worth \$12.50 per gallon. George Fairfield was indicted in a penalty of \$133.33, recently, at Elizabeth, Pennsylvania,

for marrying a minor; the young lady was nine teen years old, and her father was the plaintiff Able-bodied paupers have been weeded out from New London, Connecticut, by being introfrom New London, Connecticut, by being intro-duced to a wood pile, saw, and saw horse, when they applied for relief. Robert Whitley was arrested at Nashville,

Tennessee, on Thursday, charged with forging his sister's name and drawing out \$800 from time to time, which she had given him to de-posit in bank for her. Five printers occupy the pulpits of five churches in Portsmouth, Virginia.

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